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GRATED PROGRAMME FOR COMMODITIES

TEXT OF NOTIFICATION CONCERNING ARRANGEMENTS FOR "UN
NEGOTIATING CONFERENCE ON A COMMON FUND UNDER THE INTEGRATED
PROGRAM FOR COMMODITIES" FOLLOWS:

QUOTE

THE CONFERENCE, IN ITS RESOLUTION 93(IV), REQUESTED THE
SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UNCTAD TO CONVENE A NEGOTIATING CONFERENCE
OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF UNCTAD ON A COMMON FUND NO LATER THAN
MARCH 1977. IN PURSUANCE OF THIS RESOLUTION, AND IN ACCORDANCE
WITH THE TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS ESTABLISHED BY THE
AD HOC INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR THE INTEGRATED PROGRAMME
FOR COMMODITIES AT ITS FIRST SESSION, THE UNITED NATIONS
NEGOTIATING CONFERENCE ON A COMMON FUND UNDER THE INEGRATED
PROGRAMME FOR COMMODITIES WILL BE HELD FROM 7 MARCH 1 APRIL 1977.
THE CONFERENCE IS SCHDDDUED TO OPEN AT THE PALAIS DES NATIONS,
GENEVA, ON MONDAY, 7 MARCH, AT 11.00 A.M.

PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 93(IV), TWO PREPARATORY MEETINGS FOR THE
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NEGOTIATION OF A COMMON FUND HAVE ALREADY BEEN HELD, THE FIRST
FROM 29 NOVEMBER TO 3 DECEMBER 1976 AND THE SECOND FROM 24 TO 28
JANUARY 1977. THE THIRD, AND FINAL, PREPARATORY MEETING IS
SCHEDULED TO BE HELD FROM 21 FEBRUARY TO 1 MARCH, IMMEDIATELY
PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE. THE REPORTS OF THE FIRST
TWO PREPARATORY MEETINGS ARE CONTAINED IN DOCUMENTS TD/B/IPC/CF/4
AND TD/B/IPC/CF/6, RESPECTIVELY.

THE ATTACHED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE CONFERENCE WAS ADOPTED BY THE SECOND PREPARATORY MEETING, SUBJECT TO RE-EXAMINATION AT THE THIRD PREPARATORY MEETING. MANY REPRESENTATIVES AT THE SECOND PREPARATORY MEETING CONSIDERED THAT THE NEGOTIATING CONFERENCE SHOULD BE A CONFERENCE OF PLENIPOTENTIARIES; OTHERS STATED THAT THEY WERE NOT IN A POSITION TO ACCEPT SUCH A PROPOSAL. IT IS EXPECTED, THEREFORE, THAT A DECISION ON THIS QUESTION WILL BE TAKEN AT THE THIRD PREPARATORY MEETING. SHOULD THE MEETING DECIDE THAT THE CONFERENCE IS TO BE A CONFERENCE OF PLENIPOTENTIARIES, THE ITEM APPEARING IN THE ATTACHED PROVISIONAL AGENDA AS ITEM 12, "SIGNATURE OF THE AGREEMENT ON A COMMON FUND", WOULD BE RETAINED. GOVERNMENTS MAY WISH TO TAKE THE FOREGOING INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFERENCE.

SIMILARLY, NO FINAL DECISIONS WERE TAKEN AT THE SECOND PREPARATORY MEETING ON THE ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE CONFERENCE. SUBJECT TO THE DECISION TO BE TAKEN AT THE THIRD PREPARATORY MEETING, IT IS ENVISAGED THAT, IN ADDITION TO THE CONFERENCE MEETING IN PLENARY, A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WILL BE ESTABLISHED TO DISCUSS ITEM 9 OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA. THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, IN ITS TURN, IS EXPECTED TO SET UP TWO SUB-COMMITTEES OR NEGOTIATING GROUPS: ONE TO DEAL WITH SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES, AND THE OTHER TO DEAL WITH LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE QUESTIONS. AT A LATER DATE, THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MAY WISH TO ESTABLISH A DRAFTING COMMITTEE. THERE WILL BE FACILITIES FOR THREE SIMULTANEOUS MEETINGS. GOVERNMENTS MAY WISH TO BEAR THESE CONSIDERATIONS IN MIND IN DETERMINING THE SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF

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THEIR DELEGATIONS.

IT WOULD FACILITATE THE TASK OF THE SECRETARIAT IF STATES MEMBERS OF UNCTAD COULD SUBMIT TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UNCTAD BY 21 FEBRUARY 1977 THE CREDENTIALS OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES AND THE NAMES OF ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES AND ADVISERS WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE CONFERENCE.

THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES, THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY AND THOSE INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODIES HAVING CONSULTATIVE STATUS WITH UNCTAD WHICH WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONFERENCE AS OBSERVERS ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UNCTAD BY 21 FEBRUARY 1977 OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING REPRESENTATION AT THE CONFERENCE SHOULD BE SENT IN DUPLICATE TO THE UNCTAD SECRETARIAT (REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS), PALAIS DES NATIONS, CH 1211 GENEVA 10. UNQUOTE

QUOTE PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE UNITED NATIONS

NEGOTIATING CONFERENCE ON A COMMON FUND UNDER THE
INTEGRATED PROGRAMME FOR COMMODITIES

1. OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE
 2. ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT
 3. ADOPTION OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
 4. ELECTION OF OTHER OFFICERS
 5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
 6. REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PREPARATORY MEETINGS
 7. ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE CONFERENCE
 8. CREDENTIALS OF REPRESENTATIVES
 - (A) APPOINTMENT OF A CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
 - (B) REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
 9. NEGOTIATION OF A COMMON FUND PURSUANT TO CONFERENCE RESOLUTION 93(IV) ON THE INTEGRATED PROGRAMME FOR COMMODITIES
 10. OTHER BUSINESS
 11. ADOPTION OF THE FINAL ACT OF THE CONFERENCE AND OF RESOLUTIONS
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12. SIGNATURE OF THE AGREEMENT ON A COMMON FUND
13. PLEDGES OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO COMMON FUND. UNQUOTE BRUNGART

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